GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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CONSERVATION OF LAKES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the large lakes at the national level in the country alongwith physical dimensions of each lake;

(b) whether there is a proposal to improve these large lakes; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI)

(a) A total of 10 urban lakes have been identified under the National Lake Conservation Planfor conservation and management. The names and the physical dimensions of these lakes are given below :

S.No. Name of lake State/UT Area of Lake (in hectares)

1. Kodaikanal Tamil Nadu 26.3

2. Ooty Tamil Nadu 14

3. Nainital Uttar Pradesh 48

4. Dal Jammu & Kashmir 1150

5. Sagar Madhya Pradesh 82
6. Sukhna Chandigarh 152

7 Powai Maharashtra 210

8. Rabindra Sarober West Bengal 29.2

9. Udaipur lake system Rajasthan 520
10. Hussain Sagar Andhra Pradesh 570

(b) & (c) A scheme of National Lake Conservation Plan covering these 10lakes at an estimated cost of Rs. 637 crore was put up for approval of Government in December, 1997. In view of resource constraints, it was decided to explore the possibility for tie-up of external financial assistance for the scheme. A number of bilateral and multilateral funding agencies were approached, but none evinced interest in the proposal.